

investigation into allegations of improper conduct by CIA officers in Guatemala in the deaths of U.S. citizen Michael Devine and Guatemalan terrorist Efraim Bamaca. The IG report, and a subsequent review by President Clinton's Intelligence Oversight Board found no information whatsoever that any employee of the CIA was either involved in the murder of Mr. Devine or in the disappearance of Bamaca. After the IG report was published, Mr. Ward was effectively forced to retire from government service by then-DCI John Deutch.

When Dr. Deutch announced his disciplinary decisions regarding the Guatemala inquiry on September 29, 1995, he stated that Mr. Ward was "respected" and "otherwise had made important contributions throughout his career." Importantly, Dr. Deutch said that he intended that Mr. Ward's retirement would involve "no loss of appropriate recognition for previous service."

Despite what you might have read in some newspapers during the past few weeks, Mr. Ward is one of the unsung heroes of the Cold War. These press accounts note that he served as the CIA's station chief in Honduras from 1987-89—what they don't say is that his efforts there and elsewhere in Central America during the mid to late 1980s contributed significantly to the strengthening of democratic governance in Honduras, Nicaragua and El Salvador.

These unsung heroes of our intelligence community neither ask for nor expect the American people to know how they protect us from terrorists, narco-traffickers and other threats to our nation's security. The CIA's recognition today of Terry Ward's honorable service to his country is long overdue and fully merited. I applaud DCI George Tenet for doing the right thing for our country and for those who bravely serve its interests in our clandestine service.

CHUCK LEWIS WAS A TRUE HERO

HON. SCOTT McINNIS

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, March 23, 2000

Mr. McINNIS. Mr. Speaker, I wanted to ask that we all pause for a moment to remember a man who will live forever in the hearts of all who knew him and many who didn't. Chuck Lewis will be remembered as a wonderful entrepreneur and mentor. He had a great love of the outdoors and of skiing. His wife, Penelope, and children, C. Randall, Christina and Vonda, brought him endless joys.

Chuck was a native of Colorado and attended the University of Denver. His fiscal wizardry led him to the ski industry where he was able to turn around the troubled Eldora Mountain Resort. Lewis was also a former chairman of the Colorado Wildlife Commission, founder of Cooper Mountain and model rancher. He is regarded by many as the best chairman of the Colorado Wildlife Commission, because he cared about nature and people.

Chuck Lewis is remembered as a person who would cherish any moment he could squeeze out of his busy schedule to spend on a river with a fly rod in his hand. He had a

wonderful touch for people. His family and friends will miss the man that they enjoyed spending time with. The rest of us will miss the man who exemplified the selflessness that so few truly possess. But, when we lose a man such as Mr. Lewis, being missed is certainly no precursor to being forgotten.

EXPRESSION OF SORROW FOR THE VICTIMS OF THE MASSACRE IN THE VILLAGE OF CHATI SINGHPORA

HON. DAVID E. BONIOR

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, March 23, 2000

Mr. BONIOR. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to express my profound sorrow at the horrific massacre of 35 Sikh men in the Kashmiri village of Chati Singhpura.

Today in Chati Singhpura, 35 families are mourning the loss of their fathers, their brothers and their sons. These men are victims of an inhumane war, suffering an unspeakable death before the eyes of their loved ones. The assassins who inflicted this punishment upon the families of Chati Singhpura are unknown. Regardless of their nationality and religion, they have covered this Kashmiri village with the blood of their victims and have taken 35 innocent men from the arms of their loving families.

Hundreds of villages like Chanti Singhpura are trapped, guilty only of unfortunate geography. I call upon all people to end the slaughter of innocents, to halt the violence which has divided Kashmir, and to search for common ground upon which a just and lasting peace may be erected. No more families should know such horror. I ask all of my colleagues here today to pledge themselves to peace in Kashmir, and to stop at nothing until the bloodshed has ended.

CONGRATULATING HARRY G. SHARP, III, OF SIKESTON, MO. ON HIS RECOGNITION BY THE DAUGHTERS OF SUNSET

HON. JO ANN EMERSON

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, March 23, 2000

Mrs. EMERSON. Mr. Speaker, on Saturday, March 25, 2000, Pastor Harry G. Sharp, III is being honored by the Sikeston, MO Daughters of Sunset at their 16th Annual Recognition Program. I would like to extend my congratulations to Harry who is being recognized on this day for his community involvement.

Harry is the son of Ruth Felker and the late H. Garwood Sharp, Jr. and is one of six generations of the Sharp family who have lived and been involved in the community of Sikeston, MO. Harry is the pastor of the Smith Chapel United Methodist Church in Sikeston. As the pastor of Smith Chapel and an active member of the Sunset community, Harry appreciates the work of those generations that helped make Sikeston a better place to live.

Graduating from Sikeston High School, Harry attended and earned a degree from Westminster College and Florida State University. He is a Vietnam era veteran of the Army Corps of Engineers, has taught mathematics at Florida State and Spelman College, operated a consulting business in Atlanta, taught physics at Sikeston and Kelly High School, and consulted with the Sharper System. After two tours in the Army, Harry joined IBM Corporation in St. Louis.

During most of his adult life, Harry has been involved in mission and outreach activities in countries from Korea to Russia, Haiti to Hayti, and he has found that people are much the same everywhere. His travel experience includes passing a peace pipe with the Menominee Indians one year before our Nation's bicentennial and talking about what this country has meant to each of us. Whether it was working with folks in the coal mining regions of Appalachia, hurricane ravaged people in the Caribbean, orphans in Korea, or refugees from Nicaragua, Harry found that volunteer hands accomplished much more than government programs.

An early supporter of Sikeston area organizations such as Weed & Seed, Bootheel Healthy Start, and Save Our Children, Harry has continued his family's active involvement in their community. Harry has observed that his involvement as the pastor of a church in Sunset has prompted many people who didn't know each other to meet, enjoy fellowship, and strengthen ties across the community of Sikeston. To quote Harry's words, "There are very few problems here, or anywhere, that cannot be solved if we just sit down to a meal of fellowship with one another."

Harry and his wife Anita returned to Sikeston in 1993. His son, Woody, brought his family to Sikeston the following year providing the enjoyment of three grandchildren. Anita's son and daughter attend college in Georgia, and the couple has an adopted Russian daughter who has been part of Sikeston and has hosted Anita and Harry in Russia.

Congratulations, Harry, on your recognition by the Daughters of Sunset. Your lifelong dedication to family, community and fellowship is an inspiration to us all.

HIGHLAND COUNCIL CHAPTER OF THE CATHOLIC FRATERNAL LIFE INSURANCE

HON. JOHN SHIMKUS

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, March 23, 2000

Mr. SHIMKUS. Mr. Speaker, I rise before you today to commend a great organization in my district, the Highland Council Chapter of the Catholic Fraternal Life Insurance organization. Catholic Fraternal Life is a 115 year old, member owned, life insurance organization. It is also the largest volunteer organization in the United States, with 10 million members, representing thousands of volunteers.

The Highland Council recently participated in the "Hearts and Hands" project by adopting a needy family for Christmas. They were able to donate \$600 dollars in gifts for this family.